Implementation of Sixth Schedule in tribal areas of North-Eastern States

3018. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plan to extend the Sixth Schedule to the tribal areas in the North-Eastern States where this has not been extended till now;

(b) if so, whether Government have fixed any time limit for implementation of the decision taken in this regard; and

(c) if not, whether Government have any plan to extend the 73rd and 74th Constitution (Amendment) Acts, 1972 in the hill areas?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM): (a) to (c) The information is under collection.

Tribal Education Scheme

3019. SHRI MAN MOHAN SAMAL: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are implementing a Tribal Education Scheme in order to educate the illiterate tribals in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the scheme; and

(c) the fund allocated for the purpose, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM) (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Tribal Affairs is implementing a few schemes for the tribals in the education sector. They are:

(i) Educational Complex in Low Literacy Pockets (*i.e.* less than 10% literacy of ST Women) for Development of Women literacy in Tribal Areas.

(ii) Grants-in-aid to NGOs for operating residential and non-residential schools in tribal areas.

(iii) Establishment of Ashram Schools in Tribal Sub Plan Areas.

(iv) Model Residential Schools under Article 275(1) of the Constitution of India.

(c) The details of funds released to various States during the last three years are given in the Statement.